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SUBJECT: PLANNED DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST US IN OTTAWA AND HALIFAX

FOR A/SY/FO: S/CCT

1. INFORMATION RECEIVED TODAY THAT A LARGE GREEK CANADIAN DEMONSTRATION IS PLANNED AGAINST THE US EMBASSY ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 24, EXACT NUMBER NOT KNOWN BUT PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES ARE BETWEEN 5,000 AND 10,000 PEOPLE. IT IS KNOWN THAT 500 CARS FROM TORONTO ALONE WILL BE ARRIVING AND THERE ARE AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF DEMONSTRATORS ARRIVING FROM VARIOUS CITIES IN SOUTHERN ONTARIO. DEMONSTRATORS WILL ALSO BE ARRIVING FROM MONTREAL AND OTHER CITIES FROM QUEBEC PROVINCE BUT NO FIGURES HAVE BEEN FURNISHED AT THIS TIME. THE DEMONSTRATORS WILL GATHER ON PARLIAMENT HILL DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE EMBASSY AND IT IS HOPED THE POLICE WILL KEEP THEM ON THE PARLIAMENT HILL SIDE OF THE STREET.

2. IN HALIFAX THE CONSUL GENERAL REPORTS THE LOCAL GREEK COMMUNITY HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO CONDUCT A PEACEFUL MARCH ON AUGUST 22 AT 1500 IN THE VICINITY OF THE CONSULATE. TWO MEMBERS OF THE DEMONSTRATORS WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE BANK BUILDING WHERE THE CONSULATE IS

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LOCATED IN ORDER TO PRESENT A DOCUMENT TO A CONSULAR

OFFICER.

3. ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE REPORTED AS THEY
BECOME KNOWN.

4. EMBASSY IS IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH CANADIAN AUTHORITIES
AND WE HAVE TAKEN THE POSITION THAT A DEMONSTRATION
OF THIS MAGNITUDE SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED WITHIN CLOSE
PROXIMITY OF THE EMBASSY INCLUDING PARLIAMENT HILL.
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